

CENTRAL BOARD MINUTES
March 30, 1950

The meeting was called to order by John Holding. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Holding recommended that Dick Carstensen be approved as Aber Day manager (Art. I, Div. IV of the by-laws). Freeman moved that Central Board accept the recommendation. Hennessy seconded the motion. Carried.

Holding recommended that Joe Buley be approved as a member of Publications Board for the remainder of the academic year to fill one of the vacancies on that board. Halvorson moved that the recommendation be accepted. Bergh seconded the motion. Carried.

Holding recommended that Bob Anderson be approved as a member of Athletic Board for the remainder of the academic year to fill the vacancy created by the graduation of Don Woodside. Freeman moved that the recommendation be accepted. Hennessy seconded the motion. Carried.

The World Student Service Fund asked permission to conduct a financial drive on campus and the American Cancer Association asked permission to set up a desk on campus for their campaign. Freeman moved that Central Board give WSSF and the American Cancer Assn. permission to solicit funds and distribute literature on campus. Lambros seconded the motion. Carried. (The Red Cross and National Polio Foundation, through a misunderstanding, had previously received permission to hold their drives from Bob Moran, Chairman of the Campus Chest Committee, and had done so in January and March. Central Board retroactively approves the solicitations of these two agencies.)

Don Harrington, representative of the campus Rodeo Club, asked for \$25. to pay the membership fee in the Intercollegiate Rodeo Association so that the University can participate in rodeos held in various western schools and also hold one here May 7th with the Forestry Club. It was decided that there is publicity value in the program and that if the rodeo is successful and becomes an annual affair the club will be able to maintain itself. Hennessy moved that Central Board allot \$25. to the Rodeo Club to pay the Intercollegiate Rodeo fee. Bergh seconded the motion. Carried.

Ross Miller was present again to see about the drive for athletics; Holding said that some things are liable to occur within a week or two which will build student interest in athletics and give impetus to such a drive. Therefore he suggested that the drive be held off until it is seen whether the aforementioned things develop favorably or not.

Holding received a letter from the President of the Pacific States Presidents' Association inviting the present and incoming student presidents to a convention in Yosemite Park May 24-26. Registration is \$41. The member of the Board who attended this convention last year was not present, so discussion was postponed.

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Helding passed out the Traffic Committee's recommendations for Traffic control on campus. The report is hereby made a part of the secretary's minutes. Additional recommendations were made (1) that some traffic regulation mechanism be set up at University and Maurice intersection during the rush hours, (2) that all fines for driving be stricken from the penalty list, (3) that it be stated that no penalties or fines shall be given except for the specific infractions listed, and (4) that there should be some mention in the report of the basis on which the administration is backing such a program -- in pursuance of their supervisory control over the entire campus.


Halvorson moved that Central Board approve the parking report as amended and subject to further modifications in the light of developing needs. Lambros seconded the motion. Carried.

Helding announced that Art. IV, Div. IV of the Constitution concerning posting and removal of handbills, signs, etc. on University property will be subject to strict enforcement beginning this spring. Fox moved that Central Board recommend to the Buildings and Grounds department that more bulletin boards be put up on campus for student advertising. Briggs seconded the motion. Carried.

The Community Concert program was discussed. Helding suggested that the Board think about whether it should be supported in the future with the same amount from the budget. With an anticipated lower enrollment next year, the same amount would mean a higher percentage, which would have to be taken from some other ASMSU activity.

Helding announced that the drive for donations for the Charlie Russell Memorial Fund will be held on campus sometime before April 15. The drive is to secure money to have a statue of Russell in Wash. D.C.

The meeting was then adjourned.


Lex Mudd
Secretary

Present: Helding, Mudd, Freeman, Lambros, Halvorson, Bergh, Fox, Briggs, Hennessy, Harrington, Middleton, Hugh, Graff, Anderson (Bill), Miller (Ross), Wunderlich.

Atkinson, Merriam, Jefferson
Ted Smith, Ford

Traffic Committee

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL

Montana State University

Statement about Criminal Law

Basis:

- protect life
- prevent fire hazard

A continuing increase in the number of students and faculty cars at Montana State University in recent years has resulted in the need for a comprehensive, enforceable plan for traffic control. Surveys have indicated over 1000 cars on the campus during rush periods. To answer this critical need for a plan to expedite and control the flow of traffic on and off the campus and to relieve the congestion in campus parking areas and enforce public safety rules, the student-university traffic committee submits the following program to be put into effect at the earliest date.

→ basis on which
administration
is taking
action
in future
of their
supervisory
control over
whole campus

I. Physical improvement of parking areas

It is recommended by the committee that improvement of campus parking areas will be made as finances permit. The aim of this improvement shall be to: (1) provide reasonable parking space for current and estimated future needs, (2) to facilitate orderly parking within these areas and (3) to make these parking areas more serviceable by paving, graveling or other measures.

II. Designation of areas for parking

Certain areas shall be designated as parking lots on the campus and public parking shall be restricted to those areas. Those areas, as finally agreed upon, will be marked on a map which will be made available to the public through the Kaimin or other publication. In addition, areas prohibited to parking will be marked with a "No Parking" sign and other spots which restrict parking will be suitably and plainly marked. Consideration will

be given in designating these areas for:

1. Crippled or seriously handicapped students and members of the faculty who need special parking privileges to enable them to get around the campus with a minimum of effort. Decal stickers will be issued these persons.
2. University employees and administrators who must use vehicles frequently throughout the day in the course of their business.
3. Adequate bus-stop space and service areas.
4. Restricted parking space for the benefit of visitors and other individuals who have reason to call upon University offices.

The designation of parking areas may be changed as needs arise by public notice in the Kaimin or other publication and a change in signs. In addition to the above, selected areas shall be restricted to parking so that maintenance vehicles may have access to buildings.

III. Parking violations

A detailed list of violations shall be published for the benefit of persons using cars on the campus. In addition, the customary rules governing traffic control shall apply.

IV. Enforcement

It is recommended by the committee that the following plan be followed in order to set up an enforcement agency for campus traffic control:

Enforcement officers

Students, or qualified individuals, shall be hired to enforce campus traffic regulations on a part-time basis. These persons shall be employed by the Physical Plant Office of the University. The number of students employed

will depend upon need and the availability of funds for compensation. Whenever possible, students will be paid for their work from fines for traffic violations.

Tickets

Enforcement officers will be provided with a book of tickets for the purpose of tagging violators and registering the violation. Persons receiving tickets will be required to report to the Business Office to pay their fine or register a protest. In the case of a protest, the ticket will be marked for a hearing.

Student-Faculty Court

It is recommended that a student-faculty court be set up to hold hearings on traffic violations. If a person who has been ticketed feels unjustly accused, he may demand and receive a hearing by the court where the case will be adjudged. The exact make-up of this court will be determined through further work by the traffic committee and Central Board.

Registration

As soon as practicable, it is recommended that cars be registered. Students and faculty members operating vehicles on the campus and using campus parking areas will be required to register their vehicles. A decal sticker will be issued to each registrant to be affixed to the car windshield. Each decal sticker will be numbered for purposes of identification. A violator will be reported by number and identified through registration files. In case a car is not registered, the violator will be reported by license number and identified through state offices. In addition to the fine for the violation, he will be fined an additional dollar for failure to register. Otherwise, there is to be no fee for registration unless a minimum fee is necessitated by the cost of materials and labor incurred in registering.

Warrants

It will be the privilege of an individual, student or faculty member to record the license number of a car, the owner of which is violating a University traffic rule and file a charge against that person at an office to be designated. To support this charge, the individual must either sign an affidavit detailing the violation, giving

time, place and other pertinent facts, or appear in person at a hearing. Further, it shall be the right of interested individuals to call an office which is to be designated in order to report a violator and call an enforcement officer to ticket the offending driver.

Impounding and Removing Vehicles

The University Maintenance Department will have the privilege of physically removing automobiles or other vehicles which have been left in restricted parking areas. It is recommended by the committee that every effort should be made to locate the owner or driver before removal, so that the car may be moved under its own power. In cases where the owner or driver cannot be located, the car will be moved by the best means available. This rule is made necessary by the need for access to buildings by service trucks and to keep thoroughfares and streets on the campus open for fire protection.

V. Controlling Moving Traffic

It is strongly recommended that at least one enforcement officer be detailed to direct and control traffic at Maurice and University during peak rush hours on school days. The placement of the stop signs at this intersection serves to impede the flow of traffic coming from parking areas on either side of University Avenue. It has been observed recently that the resultant congestion gives rise to dangerous attempts by motorists to enter the traffic stream through crowds of student pedestrians. In order that the movement of cars may be controlled and expedited during the peak hours, it is suggested that a portable stop sign be operated by a student-officer in the middle of the intersection during the rush period. Pedestrians should cross only in properly marked lanes. Provision should be made for traffic control as described above

at other spots where a necessity arises. In addition, student-officers should be charged with the duty of reporting other abuses of campus driving privileges, such as:

- (1) Driving across lawns.
- (2) Driving on sidewalks.
- (3) Driving in the wrong direction on a one-way street.
- (4) Driving with people riding outside the car.

VI. Expansion of the program

It is recognized that many traffic-rule violations occur which are almost impossible to stop because of the limitations in experience and facilities that the foregoing University traffic program contemplates. It is understood that it is extremely difficult, for instance, to enforce violations of reckless driving. Moreover, the jurisdiction of the student-officers is limited to the campus. Thus, it is proposed that the immediate enforcement of the traffic problem be confined to parking and such driving violations as can be handled without risking complete breakdown of the plan. As experience is gained in handling the traffic problem, the committee expects that the program can be improved. Care must be taken at all times to insure that student-faculty approval of the traffic control program is maintained, for the success of the plan depends on the support it gets from those affected. Safety of life and traffic facilities are our goal.

A list of recommended traffic violations and penalties follows:

- I. All vehicles operated on the campus by students, faculty and

employees must be registered with the Buildings and Grounds Office.

- II. The maximum speed limit on the campus is 20 miles an hour.
- III. Any person violating provisions of the traffic and parking regulations shall be fined in accordance with the following schedule:

- (1) Failure to register car \$1.00
- (2) Parking of cars between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in areas restricted for those having a special red sticker permit \$1.00
- (3) Parking within 10 feet of fire hydrant ... \$1.00
- (4) Cross-walk parking \$1.00
- (5) Blocking a driveway \$1.00
- (6) Parking within 30 feet of a stop sign \$1.00
- ? (7) Driving in wrong direction on one-way street \$1.00
- (8) Parking along painted curbs \$1.00
- (9) Parking within 20 feet of no-parking sign \$1.00
- (10) Parking over-time in 15-minute areas \$1.00
- (11) Parking in service areas \$1.00
- (12) Parking in bus-loading zones \$1.00
- ? (13) Driving or parking on grassed areas \$1.00
- ? (14) Driving over walks or lawns \$1.00
- (15) Improper parking - wrong side of street or double parking \$1.00

No penalties other than above infractions.

IV. A fine of \$1.00 will be assessed to any student or staff member

who fails to pay his fine or file an appeal within three days after his ticket is served.

- V. These fines may be altered or changed from time to time by the traffic committee after due publicity of such change has been given.